



**School &
Student Services®**

Applying for Tuition Assistance at our school for the 2026–2027 academic year

Hello and welcome to the 2025–2026 Tuition Assistance season! Park School partners with School and Student Services (SSS) in our tuition assistance process. You will use and complete the SSS application (also referred to as the Parents' Financial Statement or PFS) within the SSS Family Portal to apply for tuition assistance at our school.

By submitting an SSS application, you're granting SSS permission to analyze your financial information. Using their nationally normed methodology, SSS estimates the amount you can contribute to school expenses and provides our school with that estimate. It's one form, for one fee, for any number of applicant children, for any number of schools subscribed to SSS.

Find the SSS application online via the SSS Family Portal:

<https://sssandtadsfa.my.site.com/familyportal>

How to complete the SSS Financial Aid Application

Beginning **September 2, 2025**, visit the SSS Family Portal at

<https://sssandtadsfa.my.site.com/familyportal>

- Create your Family Portal account with your email address and a password. If you applied for tuition assistance last year, log into the Family Portal as a Returning Family using the same email address and password.
- Complete an application for the 2026–2027 Academic Year. You can log out of the portal at any time and return later to finish it.
- After you have updated your household and selected your school you will move to the tax portion of the application. At this point it is recommended to follow the "Easy Apply" pathway. This will import your taxes directly into SSS from the IRS. Follow the [SSS Easy Apply Guide](#) for details.
- Once all sections of your application are completed and you have clicked the "Submit Application" button, your application cannot be withdrawn from the SSS system. The \$60 fee is nonrefundable.

Next steps

After you pay for and submit your application, please review our list of required additional documents. You will need to upload these additional documents by the listed deadline as part of your application process.

Park will communicate the outcome of the tuition assistance application to you directly when decisions are released. To make our decision, we use the information from the SSS application as a starting point and also consider our school policies, practices, and available budget.

Plan ahead and know your deadlines

The SSS application is a comprehensive application that will take some time to complete. Give yourself the time you need by not waiting until the deadline approaches. It's important to note the difference between the deadlines for admission and financial aid applications.

Please note: Your application will be evaluated using your most recently completed tax return. If you anticipate a significant financial change in the coming year, please indicate this in the available section(s). Final award will be confirmed based on 2025 tax documents such as 1040s, W2s and/or 1099s once these materials are available.

Top 10 Tips for completing your financial aid application

1. **Complete only one application per household**

You can apply for aid to any number of schools for any number of children using just one application for the same flat fee. Know your deadlines for submission.

2. **Use your legal name**

Take sure your name on your SSS application appears exactly the way your name appears on your tax documents.

3. **Enter whole numbers**

When entering numbers, do not enter decimals or cents — simply round to the nearest whole number. All monetary values must be in US dollars.

4. **Differentiate applicants from dependents**

Questions about “student applicants” refer to your children who are applying for financial aid through SSS. Questions about “other dependents” refer to the children (or adults) for whom you provide support but ARE NOT applying for financial aid nor listed as Parent/Guardian A or Parent/Guardian B.

5. **Separate salary from profit**

If you are a business or farm owner, you will be asked about your salary in the Family Income section. Enter only the amount you draw as salary as reported on your W2. You will provide information about profit/loss elsewhere in the application.

6. **Estimate your taxes**

We realize most tax forms are not available until late January. If you don't have your current year's taxes available, please estimate your answers based on your prior year's tax return.

7. **Use Easy Apply with IRS Consent**

Allow SSS to pull in your tax data and transcripts to eliminate time uploading documents and completing some sections of the application.

8. **Tell your story**

Offer explanations when requested, so your story or situation is clear and understandable to those reviewing your application.

9. **Calculate debt and unusual expenses**

When asked to report your credit card debt, enter your total outstanding balances and use the Notes section to specify the types of purchases you used these cards for. When asked to total your “unusual expenses,” you'll find a list of the types of expenses you should and should not include.

10. **Be honest**

Take time to carefully consider how much you think you can pay towards tuition on your own. Make a budget of income and expenses to see how much you can include for school costs.

Need help with your application or required documents?

Contact SSS Family Support at (800) 344-8328 or sssandtadsfa@venturedsolutions.com.